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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT: JOINT COMMITTEE
MEETING

REF: A. MOSCOW 13374; B. STATE 203793

1. AT SPASO HOUSE RECEPTION OCTOBER 25, K. G. FEDOSEYEV (DEPUTY CHIEF, USA DIVISION, MFA), TOLD SCIATT THAT HE WOULD PARTICIPATE AGAIN IN WORK OF JOINT COMMITTEE AND WILL BE MEMBER OF NINETEEN-MAN SOVIET DELEGATION ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON NOVEMBER 11. HE SAID THAT HE HAS MAINTAINED VERY ACTIVE INTEREST IN WORK UNDER THE AGREEMENT SINCE PARTICIPATING IN FIRST JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING IN SEPTEMBER, 1972, AND SPOKE KNOWLEDGABLY ABOUT PROGRESS SO FAR.

2. HE REPORTED THAT A LETTER FROM FEDOROV TO TRAIN WAS CABLED ON OCTOBER 25 TO SOVEMBASSY IN WASHINGTON FOR TRANSMITTAL TO TRAIN. THIS LETTER RESPONDS TO TRAIN-FEDOROV MESSAGE CONVEYED IN REF B.

3. FEDOSEYEV STRESSED THAT SOVIET PARTICIPANTS ARE ALLOTTED ONLY TWENTY DOLLARS PER DAY FOR HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS (EXCEPT FOR FEDOROV, WHO HAS NO LIMIT) AND URGED THAT CEQ BEAR THIS IN MIND WHEN BOOKING HOTEL ROOMS.

4. IN TELECON OCTOBER 26, HE URGED RAPID VISA AUTHORIZATIONS FOR GROUP. HE NOTED THAT, BECAUSE OF HOLIDAYS, NOVEMBER 5

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WOULD BE LAST WORKING DAY BEFORE DEPARTURE OF SOVDEL. TO AVOID UNNECESSARY COMPLICATIONS, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING VISA AUTHORIZATIONS FOR GROUP BEFORE MOSCOW COB NOVEMBER TWO.

5. THREE VISA SEPTELS BEING SENT TODAY. (FYI: ONE OF NOTES FROM MFA INDICATED THAT SIX PERSONS WOULD TAKE PART IN POST-MEETING TRAVEL WITH FEDOROV, BUT KUVSHINNIKOV CONFIRMED OCTOBER 26 THAT THERE WOULD BE ONLY FIVE PERSONS IN FEDOROV'S PARTY, AS REPORTED IN PARA FIVE REF. A. SIXTH PERSON (YE. B. ZNAMENSKIY) WAS NAMED IN ORDER TO HAVE SUBSTITUTE AVAILABLE IN EVENT ONE OF ORIGINAL FIVE UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE. END FYI). DUBS

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